

DECISION RECORD  
AND  
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT  
REVOCATION OF U.S.F.S. ADMINISTRATION SITE WITHDRAWAL  
PLO NO. 725, DATED JUNE 4, 1951

I. Decision:

It is my decision to recommend that the PLO No. 725, dated June 4, 1951, containing 33.95 acres of land near Edna Bay, Alaska, be revoked in part. The U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Administrative Site withdrawal is described as Lot 3, Section 28, T. 68 S., R. 76 E, Copper River Meridian, Alaska. These lands were withdrawn from settlement, location, sale and entry in aid of an administration site for use by the USFS. It has been determined that the subject land is no longer needed for the purposes for which it was withdrawn. This action will permit the top filing by the State of Alaska to fall into place, making the selection by the State of Alaska valid. If the land is not conveyed to the State of Alaska, the revocation will open the land to metalliferous and non-metalliferous mining. The revocation is being initiated by the Department of the Agriculture, USFS and will be made under the authority of Section 204(a) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) (43 U.S.C. 1714) and in accordance with 43 CFR 2370.

II. Rationale for Decision:

No land use plan exists for this area. However, the environmental analysis assesses the impacts of the Proposed Action and provides a basis for a decision on the proposal (43 CFR 1610.8 (b)(1)). The decision to allow the Proposed Action does not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation. It will permit this land to be conveyed to the State of Alaska. The land is no longer needed for a USFS Administrative Site.

III. Finding of No Significant Impact:

Based on the analysis of potential environmental impacts contained in the attached environmental assessment, I have determined that the impacts are not expected to be significant and an environmental impact statement is not required.

IV. ANILCA Section 810 Compliance:

No significant restrictions of subsistence uses under Section 810 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) have been found.

/s/ Clinton Hanson, Acting  
Anchorage Field Manager

September 15, 1999  
Date